



**YANGON UNIVERSITY  
OF ECONOMICS**



**MASTER OF PUBLIC  
ADMINISTRATION**

**Department of Applied Economics**  
**MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**







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MPA/EMPA



# *Message* FROM THE RECTOR

All those who intend to attend the Master of Public Administration Programme are warmly welcome to our University. Amongst a number of the professional master programmes offered by the Yangon University of Economics, the Master of Public Administration Programme was introduced in 2000 with a full-time, and later in 2002, the MPA evening classes were offered to executive level from various organizations in order that they can look forward to a MPA degree without interruption to their professional careers.

We already introduced the MPA (online) Programme, widening all candidates across the country, who are working for the various Organizations and Departments.

The MPA courses are conducted by senior faculty members of Yangon University of Economics, retired academicians and experienced experts from local and abroad.

The MPA programme in its more than 20 year has produced more than 1,300 graduates with academic and intellectual excellences who are contributing to their own organizations in some way and thence to the needs of the nation's development.

As the Rector of Yangon University of Economics, I certainly believe that this programme will be able to produce highly qualified graduates in public administration. Accordingly, I strongly recommend that the candidates who intend to broaden their knowledge and skills in the field of public administration surely should join the MPA programme.





# *Greetings*

## FROM THE MPA PROGRAMME DIRECTOR

The MPA Programme is now well known to those who are seeking for more academic knowledge to apply in their designated careers not only in private and public but also in the civil service society.

This programme has been introduced since the year 2000. This programme will provide the academic knowledge to meet the needs for their career development through the multidisciplinary curriculum and courses.

The aim of this programme is to nurture a more qualified and skilled human resource in the field of public administration which has become a necessity in the dynamic and challenging world.

We are looking forward to welcoming all the efficient participants to our MPA programme and hope that this programme will give each participant a great opportunity to gain new skills in public administration.







## About YUE

### Yangon University of Economics



Yangon University of Economics



Ywa Thar Gyi Campus



Padarmya Campus



Hlaing Campus

Yangon University of Economics began as the Department of Economics under the University of Yangon in 1924. In 1940, the Department of Economics began teaching Commerce as a special subject. Special courses in Statistics were given by the Department of Economics in 1953. Then in 1955, a separate Department of Commerce was established and in 1956 a separate Department of Statistics was established.

In 1964, The Institute was founded as an independent tertiary institution composing of three academic departments: Department of Economics, Department of Commerce and Department of Statistics. In 1966, a separate Research Department was created. But in 1988 the Research Department was transformed into the Department of Management Studies, and a new academic department, the Department of Applied Economics was created. The University now has five major academic departments and four supporting academic departments: the Myanmar Language, English, Mathematics and Geography Departments.

- The university is accredited to the Centre of Excellence (COE) and is also a member of the Asean University Network (AUN).
- The Kamaryut Campus is located on the shores of Inya Lake at the corner of Inya Road and Pyay road. It is recognized as a Graduate School of Economics. This is where MPA and some Master and Diploma classes are held.
- Ywathagyi Campus is the newest campus where the majority of students get their education.
- Padarmya Campus, situated close to the Hlaing Campus, is where postgraduate courses in business administration and management are offered.
- Hlaing Campus, situated about a mile from the main campus, is where certificate courses and diploma courses under the centre of Human Resource Development are offered.





# MPA PROGRAMME DESIGN

Keeping abreast of new administrative development and demands of the country, the Yangon University of Economics has been offering, since the year 2000, a graduate programme leading to a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree. This programme is designed for persons from a variety of academic and professional backgrounds, for policy makers and personnel, who are dealing with public affairs or non profit management, who expect great responsibility in public administration.

The programme comprises of number of courses conducted by senior faculty members of Yangon University of Economics and the Yangon University, retired experienced public administrators, and executives from nonprofit organizations. The MPA programme offered is a two academic year programme. Participants of the programme are required to attend classes on weekdays after office hours.

MPA classes for executive level [ EMPA (Online) ] are offered for those interested in earning a MPA degree without interrupting their professional careers. The Programme takes two academic years. Executive MPA (Online) classes are held on weekdays and on Saturday after office hours.





# MPA

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

### ***For MPA Programme***

- A Bachelor Degree from a recognized University or Institute
- Recommendations from two referees
- A clear passed in the MPA entrance examination where English reading comprehension and vocabulary, logical reasoning and numerical skills will be tested
- Satisfactory personal interview results
- Should be able to give full time attendance to the program
- Should not be seeking education in other Universities and institutes
- If the applicant is of full-time employment, he/she should have the official support of his/her organization or employer and must present an official letter of permission

### ***For EMPA Programme***

- A Bachelor Degree from a recognized University or Institute
- A minimum of 5 years full timework experience as a government gazette officer or business executive
- At least 33 years of age
- Should be able to give full time attendance to the program
- Should not be seeking education in other Universities and institutes
- Satisfactory results in the EMPA entrance examination where English reading comprehension and vocabulary, logical reasoning and numerical skills will be tested
- Satisfactory personal interview results
- Recommendations from two referees
- If the applicant is of full-time employment, he/she should have the official support of his/her organization or employer and must present an official letter of permission



## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### MPA(Online)

FIRST QUARTER JULY - SEPTEMBER

SECOND QUARTER OCTOBER- DECEMBER

THIRD QUARTER JANUARY - MARCH

### EMPA (Online)

FIRST QUARTER JULY - SEPTEMBER

SECOND QUARTER OCTOBER- DECEMBER

THIRD QUARTER JANUARY - MARCH

FOURTH QUARTER APRIL - JUNE





## MPA PROGRAMME DESIGN

### YEAR - 1

**FIRST QUARTER**  
4 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
12 Credit Units

+

**SECOND QUARTER**  
4 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
12 Credit Units

+

**THIRD QUARTER**  
4 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
12 Credit Units

**Subtotal - 36 Credit Units**

### YEAR - 2

**FIRST QUARTER**  
3 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
9 Credit Units

+

**SECOND QUARTER**  
3 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
9 Credit Units

+

**THIRD QUARTER**  
Thesis Preparation + Writing  
18 Credit Units

**Subtotal - 36 Credit Units**

## **TOTAL (72) CREDIT UNITS**

- Note: (1) Each quarter is of (11) weeks duration, with examination in the last week.
- (2) 4 courses are to be offered each quarter in first year and 3 courses in second year.
- (3) Each course meets 4 hours per week and carries 3 credit units.



## EMPA PROGRAMME DESIGN

### YEAR - 1

**FIRST QUARTER**  
3 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
9 Credit Units

+

**SECOND QUARTER**  
3 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
9 Credit Units

+

**THIRD QUARTER**  
3 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
9 Credit Units

+

**FOURTH QUARTER**  
3 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
9 Credit Units

**Subtotal - 36 Credit Units**

### YEAR - 2

**FIRST QUARTER**  
3 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
9 Credit Units

+

**SECOND QUARTER**  
3 Courses of 3 Credit Units Each  
9 Credit Units

+

**THIRD QUARTER**  
Thesis Preparation + Writing  
No Credit Units

+

**FOURTH QUARTER**  
Thesis Finalizing + Defense  
18 Credit Units

**Subtotal - 36 Credit Units**

## **TOTAL (72) CREDIT UNITS**

- Note: (1) Each quarter is of (11) weeks duration, with examination in the last week.  
(2) Three courses are to be offered each quarter.  
(3) Each course meets 4 hours per week and carries 3 credit units.



## Curriculum for MPA

### First Year

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module  | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|---|-------------|-------------|
| 1       | MPA 111    | Economics and Public Policy I   | 3           | 4           |
| 2       | MPA 112    | Economics and Public Policy II  | 3           | 4           |
| 3       | MPA 113    | Public Administration in Theory and Practice                                      | 3           | 4           |
| 4       | MPA 114    | Statistics for Public Administration / Research Methods for Public Administration | 3           | 4           |

### First Quarter

### First Year

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module  | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|---|-------------|-------------|
| 5       | MPA 121    | Public Sector Economics / Public Finance                        | 3           | 4           |
| 6       | MPA 122    | Management Skills for Policy Makers / Human Resource Management | 3           | 4           |
| 7       | MPA 123    | International Trade / Regional Integration                      | 3           | 4           |
| 8       | MPA 124    | Economic Development  | 3           | 4           |

### Second Quarter

### First Year

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module   | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 9       | MPA 131    | Regional and Urban Development                 | 3           | 4           |
| 10      | MPA 132    | Natural Resources and Environmental Management | 3           | 4           |
| 11      | MPA 133    | Financial Institutions and Public Policy       | 3           | 4           |
| 12      | MPA 134    | Political Economy of Public Administration     | 3           | 4           |

### Third Quarter

### Second Year

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module  | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|---|-------------|-------------|
| 13      | MPA 211    | Strategic Management in Public Organizations    | 3           | 4           |
| 14      | MPA 212    | Administrative Law                              | 3           | 4           |
| 15      | MPA 213    | Public Private Partnerships                     | 3           | 4           |
| 16      | MPA 214    | ASEAN Economies/ Myanmar's Development Policies | 3           | 4           |
| 17      | MPA 215    | Accounting and Financial Management             | 3           | 4           |
| 18      | MPA 231    | Thesis Proposal                                 | -           | -           |

### First Quarter

### Second Year

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module                              | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 19      | MPA 221    | Administrative Ethics               | 3           | 4           |
| 20      | MPA 222    | Social Protection in Global Economy | 3           | 4           |
| 21      | MPA 223    | Globalization and Public Policy     | 3           | 4           |
| 22      | MPA 224    | Social Policy: Issues and Options   | 3           | 4           |
| 23      | MPA 225    | Health Economics and Policy         | 3           | 4           |
| 24      | MPA 231    | Thesis Preparation                  | -           | -           |

### Second Quarter

### Second Year

| SR. No.  | Module No. | Module                          | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|----------|------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 25       | MPA 231    | Thesis (Writing and Finalizing) | 18          | -           |
| Total CU |            |                                 | 72          |             |

### Third Quarter and Fourth Quarter

Note: Three modules must be chosen in every Quarter in Second Year.



## Curriculum for MPA

### First Year

### First Quarter

| No. | No.      |  | Unit | Week |
|-----|----------|--|------|------|
| 1   | EMPA 111 | Economics and Public Policy I                | 3    | 4    |
| 2   | EMPA 112 | Economics and Public Policy II               | 3    | 4    |
| 3   | EMPA 113 | Public Administration in Theory and Practice | 3    | 4    |

### First Year

### Second Quarter

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module  | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|---|-------------|-------------|
| 4       | EMPA 121   | Statistics for Public Administration / Research Methods for Public Administration | 3           | 4           |
| 5       | EMPA 122   | Public Sector Economics / Public Finance  | 3           | 4           |
| 6       | EMPA 123   | Management Skills for Policy Makers / Human Resource Management                   | 3           | 4           |

### First Year

### Third Quarter

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module                                     | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 7       | EMPA 131   | International Trade / Regional Integration | 3           | 4           |
| 8       | EMPA 132   | Economic Development                       | 3           | 4           |
| 9       | EMPA 133   | Regional and Urban Development             | 3           | 4           |

### First Year

### Fourth Quarter

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module   | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 10      | EMPA 141   | Natural Resources and Environmental Management | 3           | 4           |
| 11      | EMPA 142   | Financial Institutions and Public Policy       | 3           | 4           |
| 12      | EMPA 143   | Political Economy of Public Administration     | 3           | 4           |

### Second Year

### First Quarter

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module  | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|---|-------------|-------------|
| 13      | EMPA 211   | Strategic Management in Public Organizations    | 3           | 4           |
| 14      | EMPA 212   | Administrative Law                              | 3           | 4           |
| 15      | EMPA 213   | Public Private Partnerships                     | 3           | 4           |
| 16      | EMPA 214   | ASEAN Economies/ Myanmar's Development Policies | 3           | 4           |
| 17      | EMPA 215   | Accounting and Financial Management             | 3           | 4           |

### Second Year

### Second Quarter

| SR. No. | Module No. | Module                              | Credit Unit | Hr per Week |
|---------|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 18      | EMPA 221   | Administrative Ethics               | 3           | 4           |
| 19      | EMPA 222   | Social Protection in Global Economy | 3           | 4           |
| 20      | EMPA 223   | Globalization and Public Policy     | 3           | 4           |
| 21      | EMPA 224   | Social Policy: Issues and Options   | 3           | 4           |
| 22      | EMPA 225   | Health Economics and Policy         | 3           | 4           |

### Second Year

### Third Quarter and Fourth Quarter

|          |          |                                |    |   |
|----------|----------|--------------------------------|----|---|
| 23       | EMPA 231 | Thesis Writing and Finalizing) | 18 | - |
| Total CU |          |                                | 72 |   |

Note: Three modules must be chosen in every Quarter in Second Year.



# MPA/EMPA

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

### MPA 111/EMPA 111

#### Economics and Public Policy I

This is a foundation course designed to develop an appreciation of how microeconomics concepts and tools can be utilized to analyze public policy issues. The course covers traditional microeconomics topics, such as theory of consumer behaviour, choice under uncertainty and behaviour of firm under various market structures. Economic theory is applied to a wide range of policy issues. The course emphasizes application rather than formalism.

### MPA 112/EMPA 112

#### Economics and Public Policy II

This course deals with the essential features of key macroeconomic policy instruments used in the attainment of policy objectives such as full employment, price stability, and economic growth. Emphasis will be placed on designing appropriate policy to achieve desired policy goals.

### MPA 113/EMPA 113

#### Public Administration in Theory and Practice

This module introduces the key concepts relating to the theory and practice of administration: the Nature and Scope of public Administration; Organizational Theories and Behavior; personal Administration Development Administration. The module uses both comparative approach and case studies from selected countries to link theory to real world public administration.

### MPA 114/EMPA 121

#### Statistics for Public Administration/ Research Methods for Public Administration

The aim of this course provides to the students with thorough understanding of basic statistical concepts and methods required for decision making in the field of public administration. Research methods course is to

provide research methodologies including data collection and analysis concerning public administration.

### MPA 121/EMPA 122

#### Public Sector Economics/ Public Finance

Public Sector Economics is basically applied welfare economics with an emphasis on problems in public sector. Topics covered include economic efficiency under both allocation with particular emphasis on problems of market demand and government determined resource externalities and public goods.

Public Finance covers the role and size of the public sector, including the rationale for public sector interventions such as market failure and distributional concerns; key factors determining a nation's fiscal architecture; public resource mobilization, taxation of income, wealth and consumption.

### MPA 122/EMPA 123

#### Management Skills for Policy Markers/ Human Resource Management

This course is designed to introduce the participants to the fundamentals of management, the process of management and the changing ways of thinking about and perceiving the world that are becoming increasingly critical for managers of today and tomorrow. This course will cover the following topics: introduction to Management and Managerial Skills. Managerial Decision Making Fundamentals of Organizing. Change and Development. Human Resource Management, Leadership, Motivation and Teamwork. Communication in Organizations. Foundations of Quality Control. This course focuses on the management of people and organization in the context of dramatic structural change.



**MPA 123/EMPA 131****International Trade and Regional Integration**

This course introduces participants to theories of international trade. It deals with regional integration and various trade policies. It will acquaint participants with the knowledge of existing trade blocs and international trade organizations.

**MPA 124/EMPA 132****Economic Development**

This course includes concepts of economic development; policy framework for economic development in a changing world; the role of market, governments, and development organizations in the policy area and development experiences of selected countries.

**MPA 131/EMPA 133****Regional and Urban Development**

This course views the development of urban and the public policies that lead to rational and effective urban economic development, the environment, urban finance and inter government organization or institutions, structures and institutions. Substantive areas which will be explored in the course include land use, housing, transportation.

**MPA 132/EMPA 141****Natural Resources and Environmental Management**

This course deals with the theoretical formulation of problems in natural resources and environmental management and the use of tools of economic analysis to analyze these problems. They are accompanied by historical and contemporary real world illustrations. Several extended case studies and the policy implications of the analyses are also included.

**MPA 133/EMPA 142****Financial Institutions and Public Policy**

This course aims to familiarize participants with the structure of financial markets, financial institution management, and the role of monetary policy in the economy. This course also reviews approaches to regulation relevant to financial markets.

**MPA 134/EMPA 143****Political Economy for Public Administration**

Political economy is the study of the interaction of politics and economics. This course seeks to introduce the students to the major theoretical models of Political Economy and the available empirical evidence.

**MPA 211/EMPA 211****Strategic Management in Public Organization**

This course examines the tools such as personnel policy, budgeting, production and operations analysis used by managers of public organization to create value in their organizations.

**MPA 212/EMPA 212****Administrative Law**

This course covers constitutional aspect and powers, function and duties of administrative authorities. It consists of operations and control of the powers of administrative authorities and remedies formal administration. Other related laws, such as Citizenship Law and Immigration Act will also be included.



**MPA 213/EMPA 213****Public-Private Partnerships**

The approach of this course is analytical. It blends the theoretical and practical aspects of the ways in which the public sector and the private sector interact with one another in a mixed economy.

**MPA 214/EMPA 214****ASEAN Economics/ Myanmar's Development Policies**

ASEAN economies course intends to familiarize participants to socio-economic status of ASEAN economies in recent decades and to explore the changes and achievements that these nations have experienced while striving to reach the full establishment of ASEAN Economic Community.

For Myanmar's Development policies, after Myanmar gained independence conditions are reviewed. The conditions of Myanmar economy before 1988 shall be revised briefly along with the plans, development strategies, and policy implications during the parliamentary and socialist eras. Myanmar's development policies after 1988 shall be reviewed broadly with the initial policy reforms, economic reforms, development plans and performance and the sectorial development of the economy.

**MPA 215/EMPA 215****Accounting and Financial Management**

This course covers the analysis and use of accounting data as important aids to management in the control of operation and long-term decisions. Management accounting comprises a study of the accounting principles, conventions and concepts underlying financial reporting. It also focuses on the use of accounting data for management planning and control.

**MPA 221/EMPA 221****Administrative Ethics**

This course will deal with the ethical problems dealing with administration. Ethics is a subject that is different from moral codes. Whereas moral codes deal with moral actions, ethics primarily does not deal with actions as such as but with moral codes. Ethics lays down a principle, on a set of principles that will determine which moral codes are good and which are bad. In this course, various administrative moral codes will be studied and analyzed in order to show which are good and which are bad.

**MPA 222/EMPA 222****Social Protection in Global Economy**

This course is concerned with the design of social protection or social welfare system of countries where free trade among countries and economic deregulation within countries. Programme areas addressing unemployment, disability and poverty alleviation are considered various measures of protection against the consequence of natural disasters and famine are also covered. The approach in this course is comparative and is concerned with matters of policy and management.



**MPA 223/EMPA 223****Globalization and Public Policy**

This course emphasizes the relationship between globalization and poverty as globalization as seen as an important cause of global poverty. It examines the relationship among globalization with poverty reduction, trade promotion, capital flows and financial development, international aid, and migrations.

**MPA 224/EMPA 224****Social Policy: Issues and Options**

This course deals with social policy issues with special reference to South East Asian Countries. The policies analyzed include those relations to ethnicity, urbanization, housing, immigration, labour, poverty alleviation, education and health.

**MPA 225/EMPA 225****Health Economics and Policy**

This course is concerned with policy issues related to the demand for medical care services; effects of health maintenance organization. It focuses on the roles of profit and non-profit corporations; powers of administrative agencies; employer-based health coverage; government sponsored entitlements; professional and institutional accountability for quality of care. Topics covered will also include issues on the financing of health care.

**MPA 231/EMPA 231****Thesis**

The thesis will be on any topic on public issues and written under the guidance of a faculty advisor (supervisor).





### ***Our Vision***

To be the centre of excellence where keen and committed economists with new skills in administration are trained to meet the challenges of the knowledge age.

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### ***Our Mission***

To develop innovative human resources with professional integrity.

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## **Objectives**

*To provide students with sound knowledge, philosophy, concepts, theories, principles and methods in public administration which have been globally undergoing profound and dynamic changes.*

*To equip students with administrative knowledge and skills so that they may serve the ever growing needs of the government and society in accordance with the national economic and social development plans.*

*To produce well-trained public administrators who are qualified to work effectively and responsibly in planning, organizing, directing, coordinating and controlling of government operations.*





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